

HA-787

Ignatius Rutledge House
101 Cherry Hill Road
Rocks vicinity
Private; unoccupied

ca.1870-1880

The Ignatius Rutledge House is a good example of a late 19th century vernacular house, especially to compare with the early 20th century John T. Carter House (HA-783) nearby.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Ignatius Rutledge House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

101 Cherry Hill Road

CITY, TOWN

Rocks

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED☒ not applicable

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED☒ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES RESTRICTED☐ YES UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☒ OTHER not in use**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Paul A. Crowl

Telephone #: 838-7472

STREET & NUMBER

101 Cherry Hill Road

CITY, TOWN

Street

☐ VICINITY OFSTATE, zip code
MD 21154**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: 746

Folio #: 201

STREET & NUMBER

20 West Courtland Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

MD

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Ignatius Rutledge House is an abandoned two story frame house built about 1870-1880 with a later addition which is located about 300 yards east of the John T. Carter House (HA-783) on the same farm northeast of the Ferncliff subdivision near Rocks, Harford County, Maryland. The main elevation faces west.

The house appears to have been built in two stages. The first section has a four-bay, single pile plan with exterior end chimneys and a center staircase. Exterior doors on the west elevation open into both ground floor rooms. A shed porch with a concrete platform extends across the inner bays containing the doors. At a later date, a two-story addition of one room on both floors was built on the south gable end of the original section, enclosing the chimney on that elevation. The chimney on the north gable end remains exposed, with a rubble stone lower structure and a brick upper section and stack.

The window and door frames are plain and the remaining intact sash is 2/2. The porch roof supports have been replaced with untrimmed logs. The stone foundation is deteriorated in several places, particularly near the southeast corner, where a large break in the foundation opens into the cellar. The exterior is red-painted weatherboard and the roof is slate.

The interior walls are plaster over lath and are deteriorated in many places. The original section of the house has bull's-eye corner blocks at the door and window frames. The fireplaces have been closed and stove pipe openings are visible in the walls above the former fireplaces.

About 100 feet west of the house is a small square stone outbuilding, probably a smokehouse or meathouse. It has a single door on the south and exposed rafters with nails and hooks on the interior. The gable roof is slate and the exterior is plastered and whitewashed, although the plaster has deteriorated.

A frame bank barn with a stone and concrete block foundation is located approximately 50 yards south of the Rutledge House. It has machine-sawn structural timbers joined by mortise and tenon and the red vertical siding is also machine-sawn. The roof is slate. The barn appears to be somewhat newer than the house, perhaps dating from about 1890. The barn is still in agricultural use.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
100-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY: local history
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES ca. 1870-80

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Ignatius Rutledge House is a good example of a late 19th century vernacular house, especially to compare with the early 20th century John T. Carter House (HA-783) nearby.

Ignatius Rutledge and his brother John inherited most of the present farm in 1807 from their mother, a daughter of Ignatius Wheeler, who had purchased the original tracts "Robert's Garden" and "Garden Fence" in the late 18th century. By agreement between the brothers, Ignatius became the owner of record, although this was not legally recorded until 1902 (see Chain of Title). Ignatius is shown as the owner of the house on the 1878 Martenet map. It is likely that each brother had a house on the farm, a theory supported by the ruins of a third house on the parcel which were located east of the Rutledge House, reported by the current owner. The ruins no longer exist.

The house is also shown on the 1858 Jennings & Herrick Map of Harford County. If the existing house dates from that period, it has been substantially altered, particularly on the interior.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Janet Davis, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Harford County Department of Planning & Zoning

DATE

March 1984

STREET & NUMBER

45 So. Main Street

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CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

MD 21014

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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Ignatius Rutledge House

CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS:

Section 7, Description:

The stone chimney is the only portion of the original Rutledge House still extant. The house was said to have 15 rooms in 1-1/2 stories. It may have been a telescope house, since it extended almost to the still-existing barn to the south. The house burned sometime prior to the Carter period of ownership (1902-1946). The Carters lived for some time after acquiring the property at the Wysong House (HA-1026), before erecting the Carter House (HA-783). They rebuilt the Rutledge House on a smaller scale than the original and used it for tenant housing. A second fire destroyed the Rutledge House and the existing structure is the third on the site.

Information provided by Mrs. Paul Crawl, from interviews with Glenn Crawl, May 1984.

JOHN T. CARTER HOUSE and IGNATIUS RUTLEDGE HOUSE

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CHAIN OF TITLE

746/201
31 May 1967

Grantor: Mary I. Crowl, widow
Grantee: Paul A. and Elizabeth M. Crowl
Acreage: 215

295/436
4 April 1946

Grantor: Ida F. Carter, et al.
Grantee: Carroll W. and Mary I. Crowl
Acreage: 215
Estate of John T. Carter, died 5 November 1934
Will dated July 18, 1934, Will Book AJG 19/262
Land included parts of "Robert's Garden", "Garden Fence",
"Robert's Venture Enlarged", "Best Endeavor",
"Grafton's Addition", and "Timber Ridge".

108/131
13 December 1902

Grantor: William H. Harlan & J. Edwin Webster, trustees
for Phebe Rutledge and executors for Charles A.,
John R., Martha J., Monica A., Henrietta M.
Rutledge and Jacob A. Doxen, attorney

Grantee: John T. Carter

Acreage: 375

Amount: \$3300

"... Monica Rutledge nee Wheeler departed this life during the month of February 1807, leaving her two children viz. John W. Rutledge and Ignatius Rutledge who . . . were infants under the age of twenty-one . . . upon whom descended two of the hereinafter mentioned tracts . . . "Robert's Garden" and a part of . . . "Garden Fence" containing 211 acres. . . . John and Ignatius in their lifetime made a settlement between themselves for the said two tracts . . . Ignatius entered into possession and held possession up until the time of his death, but failed to have a deed recorded. Whereas, the said John W. and Ignatius Rutledge have since departed this life, the said John W. leaving . . . his only heirs at law, the said Charles A., John R., Martha J., Monica A., Henrietta M., and . . . Patrick H., . . . (who) has recently died unmarried and without issue; and Whereas, the said Charles A. (et al), having knowledge of said settlement between their father and uncle are willing to carry out the contract entered into by their father and to convey his interest . . . in . . . the said two tracts of land to his brother . . . and for the purpose of conveying any and all interests that they might have . . . join in this deed."

(NOTE: Joshua Rutledge may have been the son of Ignatius Rutledge. Joshua died in 1892 (Will Book JMM 11/270, 15 June 1892) and his wife Phebe died in April 1901 (Will Book GSN 12/340))

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John T. Carter House and Ignatius Rutledge House

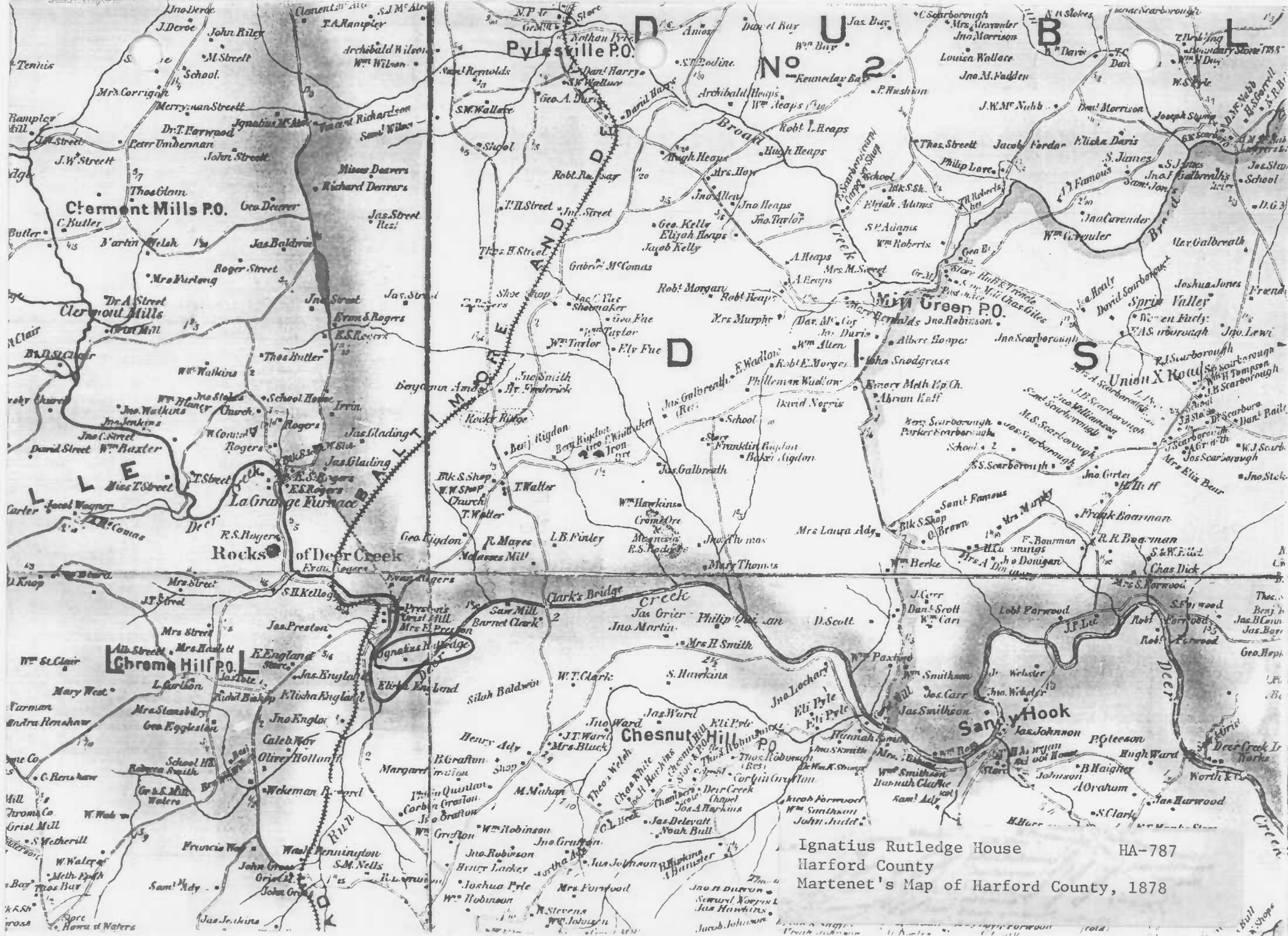
Chain of Title

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35/366	Grantor: Silas and Martha Warner
30 June 1877	Grantee: Joshua Rutledge
	Acreage: 5 sq. perches
	Amount: \$5
1/99	Grantor: John D. and Elizabeth Grafton
13 Feb. 1852	Grantee: Ignatius Rutledge
	Acreage: 15, parts of "Best Endeavor" and "Grafton's Addition"
	Amount: \$149
35/410	Grantor: Coleman Yellott, trustee
23 Nov. 1849	Grantee: Ignatius Rutledge
	Acreage: unknown, parts of "Robert's Venture Enlarged"
	Amount: \$1230
23/177	Grantor: Barnet Clark, Thomas Clark, M--- Grafton et al.
29 Oct. 1839	Grantee: Ignatius Rutledge
	Acreage: 50
	Amount: \$500
S/207	Grantor: John L. Gibson and Joseph Wheeler
28 Aug. 1805	Grantee: Monica Rutledge, wife of Jacob Rutledge
	" . . . Ignatius Wheeler . . . by his last will and testa-
	ment (13 July 1792) did devise his real and personal
	estate equally to be divided between his children . . .
	the said Monica now Rutledge formerly Wheeler, one of
	the daughters of the said Ignatius Wheeler becomes entitled
	to the land hereafter mentioned . . . all that tract . . .
	of land called "Robert's Garden" purchased by . . . Ignatius
	Wheeler . . . of Robert Clark and also all that tract . . .
	of Land called "The Garden Fence" except 34.5 acres . . ."



Ignatius Rutledge House
Harford County
Jennings & Herrick, Map of Harford County,
1858

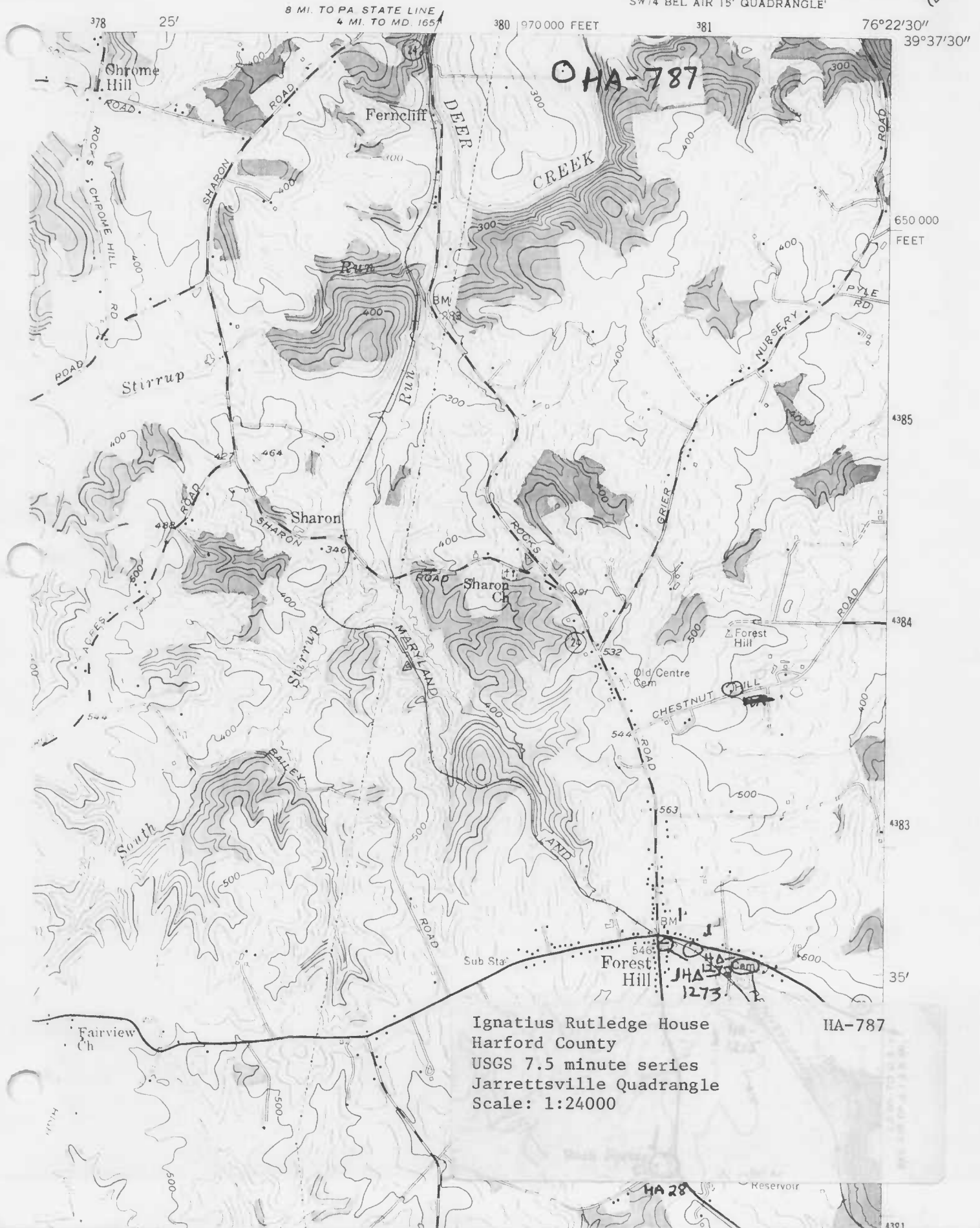


Ignatius Rutledge House
Harford County
Martenet's Map of Harford County, 1878

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JARRETTSVILLE QUADRANGLE
MARYLAND
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
SW/4 BEL AIR 15' QUADRANGLE

5763 III NE
(DELTA)



Ignatius Rutledge House
Harford County
USGS 7.5 minute series
Jarrettsville Quadrangle
Scale: 1:24000

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Reservoir



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West elevation

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West elevation

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Ignatius Rutledge House

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February 1984

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Smokehouse, south elevation

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Ignatius Rutledge House

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Harford County

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Neg. loc: Maryland Historical Trust

Barn, west elevation

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